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Please accept the attached comments regarding the Chesterfield Power Station Water Permit Application

Sincerely,
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Comments regarding permit VA0004146
Dominion Chesterfield CCR Wastewater Permit

The Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League, representing its chapters and members in Virginia, make the following comments regarding Permit #VA0004146 for the Dominion Chesterfield Plant:

- 1) The Virginia DEQ must take into consideration studies such as the one recently published by Dr. Avner VenGosh of Duke University when writing permits for the Chesterfield Power Plant.
- 2) The DEQ must test for radioactive isotopes and for hexavalent chromium.
- 3) Testing for heavy metal contamination of river sediment should be included as a part of the testing program for this permit.
- 4) If there are municipal water intake systems downstream from the outfall areas, has the risk of trihalomethanes in drinking water been considered?
- 5) Third party monitoring or at the very least third party verification of all test results to ensure protection of the river and confidence that all testing is being completed in a manner where accurate, non-manipulated results are provided to DEQ and shared with the public should be required as a part of this permit.
- 6) Sustenance fisherman downstream should be warned if this permit is approved. They should also be encouraged to report any changes or deformities they might find in fish caught to the DEQ.

The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality must not allow the James River to become Dominion's toxic coal ash wastewater sewer. This is the second permit, the first being Bremon Power Station, which allows this toxic brew to be dumped into the James.

Please respond in writing.

Respectfully,

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